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Offered by:

SEN. GUNTHER, 21st Dist.

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"AN ACT CONCERNING MEDICAL MALPRACTICE INSURANCE RATES."

- 1 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and
- 2 internal references accordingly:
- 3 "Sec. 501. Section 38a-33 of the general statutes is repealed and the
- 4 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2003*):
- 5 [Whenever all parties to a claim for malpractice agree, they may
- 6 request] Upon request of a party to a claim for malpractice, such claim
- 7 shall be submitted to a panel, selected by the Insurance Commissioner
- 8 or his designee, [to select a panel] that shall be composed of two
- 9 physicians and one attorney from the Malpractice Screening Panel
- 10 established under section 38a-32. None of the members of the panel,
- insofar as possible, shall be from the same community of practice of
- 12 either the physician involved or the attorneys for the parties. At least
- one of the physicians shall be from the same specialty as the physician
- 14 against whom such claim is filed and the attorney shall have

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15 experience in the trial of personal injury cases. The attorney so

16 designated shall act as chairman."